

# Dealing with Wine Spills

For Homeowners & Residential Flooring



## Overview

Most wine spills are easy to remove from nylon, PET/PTT, and olefin carpets when the incident occurs.

**For spills:** For a large volume of material, use a wet/dry vacuum or a home carpet spot extractor (if available), or use cloth towels to absorb as much as possible.

**If a spot/stain is still visible, then try the following options:** Mix a few drops of liquid dishwashing detergent with a cup of warm water in a spray bottle and mist onto the area. Lightly agitate mixture into the carpet nap with your thumb. Using a cotton cloth, blot the area, and if the spot remains, then repeat. Once no visible stain is present, mist clean fresh water on the area, blot with a cloth, and then allow drying.

If staining is still present, mist XL Stain Remover on the area, agitate chemistry with your thumb into the nap and allow chemistry to dwell for 15-10 minutes. Blot the area with a clean cotton cloth. Repeat if needed. Once no visible stain is present, mist clean fresh water on the area and blot with a cotton cloth, then allow drying.

If the stain persists, it may require special attention from an IICRC Certified Cleaning Professional.

If the carpet is made from wool, natural grasses, silk, or viscose (rayon), contact the flooring manufacturer for recommended procedures.

If the spill has reached the carpet padding, the spot may "reappear" within the drying time; this is called "wicking." Repeat the steps you used above on the outer edge of the stain to remove it.